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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

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SUBJECT: KMT Troops

PARTICIPANTS: CIA - Mr. Dulles
PSA - Messrs. Lacy, Gibson and Acly

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Mr. Dulles referred to Rangoon's telegram No.838 of February 27, 1952 regarding a suggestion that the Burmese Government might invoke the aid of "friendly powers" to drive the KMT troops out of Burma. It was assumed that the power referred to is Communist China. Messrs. Lacy, Gibson and Acly expressed the following opinions: (1) That in view of the probable loss of friendship of the Western Powers and the likelihood that Chinese Communist troops, if permitted to enter Burma, would not leave again and would take advantage of the opportunity to establish a Communist organization in the Shan State, the Burmese Government will probably not invite Chinese Communist troops to enter the country; (2) That any action which the U.S. might take to dissuade the Burmese Government from taking this action would be ineffective in view of the general belief that the U.S. Government is supporting the KMT troops; (3) That since Mr. Nehru exerts considerable influence on Thakin Nu, it might be feasible for the Indian Government to approach the Burmese Government and attempt to convince it that the action would be unwise. A telegram to that effect to the Embassy in New Delhi should be drafted.

Mr. Dulles was informed of these views and expressed agreement.

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